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## GENERAL

The statistics are based on data obtained from insurance companies which insure against workers' compensation, and from several organisations with approved workers' compensation schemes. The Workers Compensation Regulations require approved insurers (and schemes) to submit to the Government Statist a report on each claim for worker's compensation when the claim is closed, or at the expiry of 3 years if the claim is unclosed at the end of that time. At present, the collection is restricted to fatal cases, and to those where the worker was incapacitated for work for a period of one week or more. An appendix has been included to provide information concerning accidents occurring on journeys to and from employment or during a recess period, disease cases, and workers compensation business transacted.

It should be noted that tables published in previous bulletins for the year 1964-65 are compiled on the basis of the Workers Compensation Act 1958. However, although the Act was amended in 1965, tables for the years 1965-66 and 1966-67 may comprise both bases because of the inclusion of unclosed cases from the last 3 years. This may affect comparability between the periods. A brief summary of workers' compensation legislation operating in Victoria appears on page 5.

The method of collection used has imposed certain restrictions and qualifications on the resulting tables appearing in this bulletin, which may be summarised as follows:

- (a) Although the term "industrial accident" is used, the collection actually represents workers' compensation claims finalised during the year concerned, and is subject to the limitations expressed by the Workers Compensation Act. The accidents to which the claims refer may have occurred in the year the claim was finalised or at some previous date. Each original claim has been regarded as a separate accident and although reports of re-opened claims are received no details of these have been included in the tables.
- (b) In accordance with the provisions of the Amendment Act 1965, the definition of "worker" excludes any person employed whose remuneration exceeds \$6,000 per annum. Although some employers do insure against liability for employees whose income exceeds the amount specified in the Act, it is not mandatory to do so, and consequently some employees in this category will not be included in the tabulations.
- (c) Commonwealth employees are excluded from the provisions of the Act, and consequently some industry classifications are not covered at all while coverage is reduced in some other instances (e.g., defence services and communications).
- (d) Self-employed persons are likewise excluded and therefore industrial accidents occurring to them will not appear in the statistics. This is likely to have considerable effect when considering, for instance, rural industries.
- (e) The Act provides for compensation for injury arising on journeys to or from employment, or during a recess period. Details of such claims have been excluded from the tables in Parts 1 and 2 of this publication, but have been shown separately in the Appendix.
- (f) Disease claims, shown separately in the Appendix, exclude cases where the disease has been precipitated or aggravated by an accidental event.

The tables listed in this bulletin are in the form of summary tables; however tables under detailed headings for industry, accident factor, and nature of injury have been prepared and the information shown in them is available on request.



The general principle of the legislation under the Workers Compensation Act is to protect workers who have entered into or work under a contract of service or apprenticeship with an employer, whether by way of manual labour, clerical work, or otherwise. Such workers are also protected while travelling to and from work, during recess periods, or from injury by the recurrence, aggravation, or acceleration of a pre-existing injury where employment is a contributing factor.

It is compulsory for every employer (with the exception of certain schemes approved by the Board) to obtain from the State Accident Insurance Office, or from an insurance company approved by the Governor in Council, a policy of accident insurance for the full amount of his liability under the Act.

Judicial administration of the Act is carried out by a County Court Judge, sitting with workers' and employers' representatives as the Workers Compensation Board.

As the law now stands any worker is covered, providing (a) he or she is not an outworker, and (b) his or her remuneration does not exceed \$6,000 a year (excluding overtime). The extent of the principal benefits obtainable under the Act are:

1. Where death results from the injury

- (a) If the worker leaves full dependants, compensation payable is \$9,000 plus \$200 for each child under 16 years.
- (b) If the worker leaves partial dependants the amount of compensation is a sum reasonable and proportionate to the injury, not exceeding the sum of \$9,000, as awarded by the Workers Compensation Board.
- (c) If the worker has no dependants, reasonable medical and burial expenses are payable.
- (d) If the worker was a minor, with no dependants, but had contributed towards the maintenance of the home or of members of his family, such members are deemed to be partial dependants.

2. Where total incapacity for work results from the injury

- (a) The weekly payment during total incapacity is \$20 for an adult worker (\$18 for a minor) or his average weekly earnings, whichever is less, plus \$6 for his wife or relative standing in loco parentis to the children if the wife or relative is fully or mainly dependent on the earnings of the worker, plus \$2.50 for each dependent child under sixteen years of age.
- (b) The combined total weekly payment is limited to the worker's average weekly earnings or \$31 for an adult (\$26 for a minor) whichever is less, and the maximum amount payable is limited to \$10,000 unless the Workers Compensation Board otherwise determines.

3. Where partial incapacity results from the injury

- (a) The worker is paid an amount which is calculated according to the variation between his average weekly earnings before injury and the average weekly amount he is earning or is able to earn after injury.
- (b) Where the worker is unable to obtain employment for which he is fit, the Board may order that he be treated as totally incapacitated.

4. Other miscellaneous benefits

- (a) In addition to compensation, legislation provides for the payment of the reasonable costs of hospital, medical, nursing, and ambulance services, incurred, whether or not the worker is incapacitated. Reasonable funeral expenses are also payable.
- (b) Coverage is provided where a worker contracts an industrial disease and the definition of "injury" specifically includes a disease contracted during the course of work which contributed to the disease.
- (c) Lump sum payments in redemption of weekly payments in respect of total or partial incapacity may be made at any time upon application by either party but at the absolute discretion of the Board, which fixes the amount.

NOTE. More detailed particulars of workers' compensation legislation may be obtained in the "Conspectus of Workers Compensation Legislation in Australia and Papua New Guinea" published by the Department of Labour and National Service.



1. Industrial accident. For the purpose of this collection, the following definition has been applied: "An industrial accident is a compensated work injury causing death, permanent disability, or absence of the injured person from work for one week or more, excluding journey cases, cases occurring during a recess period, and all disease cases except where the disease is considered to be precipitated or aggravated by an accidental event".
2. Industry group. In Victoria, employers are rated for the purpose of workers' compensation premiums according to the type of business conducted, a premium being fixed for each "trade". For the purpose of this bulletin, all employees, regardless of occupation, take the "trade" classification of their employer with the exception of clerical workers and domestics. When the list of "trades" was compiled by insurers, it was allied closely with the industry classification used for the 1947 Census. This has been brought up to date from time to time. Accordingly, the industry groups shown in this bulletin approximate those used for Census purposes. However, as "Communication" employees are almost exclusively employed by the Commonwealth, and are consequently exempt from the provisions of the State Act, the remaining small numbers have been included with "Transport". Another variation is that "Finance" employees, whose work is normally of a clerical nature, have been included with "Other" industry, together with clerical workers generally, who are subject to a special premium rate distinct from that charged for the industry in which they are employed. It should also be noted that accidents to employees of the Gas and Fuel Corporation and the State Electricity Commission are included under the "Government, semi-government, finance, and other" industry group, as are employees of certain other State bodies.
3. Accident factor. The various accident factors identified have been listed in the tables. "Accident factor" should not be interpreted as "cause of accident". In general it has been defined as "that underlying agency, other than human failing, which appears to contribute most materially to an accident, and which would be most likely to receive attention in efforts to prevent the occurrence of similar accidents".
4. Injury site. In most cases the injury has been allocated to that part of the body affected by the injury. However, since effects of poisons, electrocutions, effects of weather, etc., cannot be assigned in most cases to any particular site, they have been included in the heading "General and unspecified".
5. Headings. For reasons of space it has been necessary to abbreviate many of the headings used, but detailed lists are available for inspection at this Office.

NOTE. Where figures have been rounded in this publication, any discrepancies between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.

TABLE 1. VICTORIA - NUMBER OF INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS, JOURNEY AND RECESS  
CASES, AND OTHER DISEASE CASES REPORTED IN 1967-68

Particulars	Males	Females	Total
<u>Industrial accidents</u>			
Fatal	40	1	41
Non-fatal	28,196	4,754	32,950
Total	28,236	4,755	32,991
<u>Journey and recess cases</u>			
Fatal			
Accidents	16	1	17
Diseases	33	..	33
Non-fatal			
Accidents	1,487	953	2,440
Diseases	55	10	65
Total	1,591	964	2,555
<u>Other diseases</u>			
Fatal	255	2	257
Non-fatal	1,285	701	1,986
Total	1,540	703	2,243
<u>Grand total</u>			
Fatal	344	4	348
Non-fatal	31,023	6,418	37,441
Total	31,367	6,422	37,789

NOTE. Comprises fatal and non-fatal claims closed during the year or unclosed claims of three years duration. Period of incapacity is one week or more.

PART 1 - INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS: MALES

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TABLE 2. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Industry group	Number of accidents					
	Fatal			Non-fatal		
	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Primary	4	6	4	1,617	1,746	1,569
Mining and quarrying	..	..	1	160	173	127
Manufacturing -						
Cement, bricks, etc.	2	..	1	871	920	840
Founding, engineering, etc.	3	2	3	4,523	4,584	4,111
Ships, vehicles, etc.	..	2	3	765	712	855
Textiles, clothing, footwear	..	1	..	871	873	868
Food, drink, tobacco	1	2	2	2,395	2,447	2,086
Sawmilling and wood products	1	1	4	969	1,123	915
Paper, printing, etc.	1	1	..	591	641	607
Petrol, chemical, and rubber products	..	..	2	904	843	807
Other manufacturing	1	1	1	774	809	709
Total manufacturing	9	10	16	12,663	12,952	11,798
Electricity, gas, water, sanitary	..	..	1	266	296	275
Building and construction	4	6	3	3,850	4,013	3,560
Transport, storage, and communications	8	2	1	1,969	1,928	1,596
Commerce	7	3	2	3,920	3,726	3,477
Community services, etc.	2	2	1	1,442	1,535	1,483
Amusements, personal services, etc.	2	..	..	761	764	690
Govt, semi-govt, finance, and other	14	14	11	4,357	5,020	3,621
Total	50	43	40	31,005	32,153	28,196

TABLE 3. VICTORIA - MALES:  
COST OF CLAIMS FOR FATAL  
ACCIDENTS, 1965-66 TO  
1967-68

Year	Cost of claims	
	(\$)	
	Total	Average per claim
1965-66	308,457	6,169
1966-67	386,055	8,978
1967-68	357,733	8,943

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.



TABLE 4. VICTORIA - MALES: PERIOD OF INCAPACITY AND COST OF CLAIMS FOR NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Industry group	Period of incapacity (weeks)						Cost of claims					
	Total			Average per accident			Total (\$'000)			Average per claim (\$)		
	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Primary	7,781	7,569	7,467	4.8	4.3	4.8	434	465	418	268	266	267
Mining and quarrying	685	672	767	4.3	3.9	6.0	35	78	63	220	453	497
Manufacturing -												
Cement, bricks, etc.	3,333	3,415	3,383	3.8	3.7	4.0	214	297	280	245	323	333
Founding, engineering, etc.	15,833	16,756	15,669	3.5	3.7	3.8	1,190	1,323	1,226	263	289	298
Ships, vehicles, etc.	2,820	3,088	3,836	3.7	4.3	4.5	250	295	427	326	415	499
Textiles, clothing, footwear	3,435	3,691	3,819	3.9	4.2	4.4	272	313	320	311	358	369
Food, drink, tobacco	7,513	8,400	7,035	3.1	3.4	3.4	487	574	502	203	234	240
Sawmilling and wood products	4,024	4,628	3,593	4.2	4.1	3.9	251	289	301	258	258	329
Paper, printing, etc.	2,221	2,691	2,216	3.8	4.2	3.7	140	233	239	236	364	393
Petrol, chemical, and rubber products	3,913	3,504	3,175	4.3	4.2	3.9	357	381	317	395	452	393
Other manufacturing	2,581	3,166	3,133	3.3	3.9	4.4	195	220	240	252	271	339
Total manufacturing	45,673	49,339	45,859	3.6	3.8	3.9	3,356	3,925	3,852	265	303	326
Electricity, gas, water, sanitary	980	1,161	1,012	3.7	3.9	3.7	56	100	74	212	339	270
Building and construction	14,234	17,969	14,696	3.7	4.5	4.1	919	1,466	1,291	239	365	363
Transport, storage, and communications	7,536	7,514	6,045	3.8	3.9	3.8	387	379	382	196	197	239
Commerce	12,782	13,135	11,519	3.3	3.5	3.3	757	840	762	193	225	219
Community services, etc.	5,594	6,203	6,624	3.9	4.0	4.5	290	349	419	201	227	282
Amusements, personal services, etc.	3,680	3,228	2,809	4.8	4.2	4.1	182	139	169	239	183	245
Govt, semi-govt, finance, and other	16,312	20,928	15,313	3.7	4.2	4.2	929	1,362	1,142	213	271	315
Total	115,257	127,718	112,111	3.7	4.0	4.0	7,345	9,103	8,572	237	283	304

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.

TABLE 5. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY SITE OF INJURY, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Site of injury	1965-66		1966-67		1967-68	
	F	Non-fatal	F	Non-fatal	F	Non-fatal
Head	20	917	11	1,025	14	845
Eye	1	795	..	694	..	672
Neck (incl. vertebral column)	3	812	1	802	..	671
Trunk	14	8,526	14	8,951	11	8,354
Arm	..	3,686	..	3,948	..	3,468
Hand	..	7,903	..	8,017	..	6,848
Leg	..	5,209	..	5,577	1	4,633
Foot	..	3,042	1	2,961	..	2,517
General and unspecified	12	115	16	178	14	188
Total	50	31,005	43	32,153	40	28,196

TABLE 6. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS BY PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1967-68

Period of incapacity	Number of accidents	Time lost (weeks)
1 week, but less than 2 weeks	12,957	16,423
2 weeks, " " " 4 "	7,723	20,226
4 " " " " 6 "	2,953	13,905
6 " " " " 8 "	1,874	12,468
8 " " " " 13 "	1,542	14,983
13 " " " " 26 "	774	13,518
26 " " " " 52 "	232	8,202
52 weeks and more	141	12,386
Total	28,196	112,111

TABLE 7. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY AGE GROUP, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Age group (years)	1965-66		1966-67		1967-68	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Under 20	1	2,644	..	2,872	2	2,431
20 - 29	12	7,237	5	7,657	5	6,771
30 - 39	7	7,295	11	7,432	4	6,432
40 - 49	12	7,054	16	6,996	11	6,184
50 - 59	12	4,998	10	5,185	11	4,551
60 and over	6	1,777	1	2,011	7	1,827
Total	50	31,005	43	32,153	40	28,196

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal.

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.

TABLE 8. VICTORIA - MALES: ACCIDENT FACTOR BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1967-68

Accident factor	Industry group																					
	Primary		Mining and quarrying		Manu- facturing		Elect- ricity, gas, water, sanitary		Building and construc- tion		Trans- port, storage, and comm- unication		Commerce		Comm- unity serv- ices, etc.		Amuse- ments, pers- onal serv- ices, etc.		Govt, semi- govt, finance, and other		Total	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Machinery	..	133	..	11	2	1,637	..	3	..	192	..	26	..	180	..	50	..	27	..	105	2	2,364
Vehicles	1	138	1	6	5	295	..	22	1	99	1	156	1	234	..	134	..	21	7	265	17	1,370
Electricity	..	..	..	..	2	28	..	..	..	4	..	1	..	7	..	2	..	..	..	9	2	51
Explosions	1	1	..	2	..	23	..	1	..	9	..	2	..	7	..	1	..	3	..	5	1	54
Flames, hot sub- stances and objects	..	28	..	1	1	360	..	3	..	42	..	13	..	85	..	37	..	31	..	68	1	668
Harmful substances	..	8	..	1	1	115	..	2	1	14	..	8	..	16	..	7	..	7	..	14	2	192
Falling, stumbling, slipping	..	306	..	17	3	1,751	..	77	1	879	..	420	..	631	1	347	..	146	1	1,028	6	5,602
Stepping on sharp objects	..	12	..	..	..	43	..	6	..	44	..	14	..	9	..	11	..	3	..	28	..	170
Striking against objects	..	67	..	5	..	562	..	15	..	132	..	52	..	169	..	62	..	32	1	113	1	1,209
Strain in handling objects	..	289	..	34	..	3,128	..	76	..	866	..	424	..	895	..	445	..	119	..	939	..	7,215
Struck by or caught between	2	198	..	28	1	1,966	1	32	..	704	..	362	1	439	..	181	..	47	1	498	6	4,455
Handling sharp objects	..	55	..	2	..	447	..	11	..	175	..	27	..	144	..	36	..	22	..	71	..	990
Other handling, moving, or falling objects	..	1	..	..	..	13	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	3	..	26
Using hand tools	..	150	..	16	..	1,016	..	16	..	272	..	32	..	506	..	103	..	39	..	218	..	2,368
Other and unspecified	..	183	..	4	1	414	..	11	..	125	..	59	..	151	..	65	..	193	1	257	2	1,462
Total	4	1,569	1	127	16	11,798	1	275	3	3,560	1	1,596	2	3,477	1	1,483	..	690	11	3,621	40	28,196

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal.

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6. Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 14.



TABLE 9. VICTORIA - MALES: SITE OF INJURY BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1967-68

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Site of injury	Industry group																					
	Primary		Mining and quarrying		Manu- facturing		Elect- ricity, gas, water, sanitary		Building and construc- tion		Transport, storage, and comm- unication		Commerce		Community services, etc.		Amuse- ments, personal services, etc.		Govt, semi- govt, finance, and other		Total	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Head	2	59	..	2	5	291	..	9	..	99	..	69	2	114	..	38	..	35	5	129	14	845
Eye	..	30	..	5	..	299	..	4	..	98	..	24	..	80	..	37	..	11	..	84	..	672
Neck (incl. vertebral column)	..	39	..	5	..	233	..	9	..	93	..	51	..	81	..	35	..	19	..	106	..	671
Trunk	..	351	1	44	5	3,334	..	91	..	1,077	1	508	..	992	..	560	..	171	4	1,226	11	8,354
Arm	..	220	..	19	..	1,419	..	42	..	440	..	216	..	440	..	165	..	108	..	399	..	3,468
Hand	..	349	..	27	..	3,537	..	41	..	778	..	197	..	999	..	246	..	135	..	539	..	6,848
Leg	..	359	..	20	..	1,479	..	50	..	641	..	368	..	506	1	255	..	144	..	811	1	4,633
Foot	..	148	..	5	..	1,133	..	25	..	314	..	153	..	244	..	131	..	66	..	298	..	2,517
General and unspec- ified	2	14	..	..	6	73	1	4	3	20	..	10	..	21	..	16	..	1	2	29	14	188
Total	4	1,569	1	127	16	11,798	1	275	3	3,560	1	1,596	2	3,477	1	1,483	..	690	11	3,621	40	28,196

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal.

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TABLE 10. VICTORIA - MALES: ACCIDENT FACTOR BY SITE OF INJURY, 1967-68

Accident factor	Head		Eye		Neck (incl. vertebral column)		Trunk		Arm		Hand		Leg		Foot		General and unspecified		Total	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Machinery	..	37	..	77	..	6	1	101	..	224	..	1,710	..	117	..	90	1	2	2	2,364
Vehicles	4	161	..	14	..	59	8	269	..	193	..	281	..	259	..	124	5	10	17	1,370
Electricity, explosions, flames and hot substances	..	85	..	37	..	7	1	43	..	99	..	180	..	95	..	183	3	44	4	773
Harmful substances	..	14	..	52	..	..	..	7	..	12	..	30	..	9	..	19	2	49	2	192
Falling, stumbling, slipping	4	151	..	4	..	133	..	1,549	..	910	..	320	1	2,175	..	349	1	11	6	5,602
Stepping on or striking against objects	1	72	..	12	..	9	..	136	..	254	..	290	..	421	..	185	..	..	1	1,379
Handling objects	5	205	..	175	..	388	..	5,800	..	1,352	..	2,341	..	1,022	..	1,378	1	25	6	12,686
Using hand tools	..	34	..	97	..	17	..	155	..	269	..	1,460	..	206	..	124	..	6	..	2,368
Other and unspecified	..	86	..	204	..	52	1	294	..	155	..	236	..	329	..	65	1	41	2	1,462
Total	14	845	..	672	..	671	11	8,354	..	3,468	..	6,848	1	4,633	..	2,517	14	188	40	28,196

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal.

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6. Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 14.

TABLE 11. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF ACCIDENTS BY TYPE OF INJURY, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

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Type of injury	1965-66			1966-67			1967-68		
	F	Non-fatal		F	Non-fatal		F	Non-fatal	
		Number	Percent		Number	Percent		Number	Percent
Contusions, abrasions, foreign bodies, etc.	2	12,210	39.38	1	12,293	38.23	3	10,326	36.62
Burns and scalds	4	1,105	3.56	5	1,127	3.51	2	992	3.52
Bone fractures	12	4,356	14.05	5	4,384	13.63	3	3,611	12.81
Dislocations	..	871	2.81	..	685	2.13	..	564	2.00
Sprains and strains	1	11,294	36.43	..	12,299	38.25	..	10,918	38.72
Amputations	..	250	0.81	..	301	0.94	..	310	1.10
Concussion	1	180	0.58	..	199	0.62	..	174	0.62
Internal injury	9	98	0.31	8	76	0.24	9	87	0.31
Effects of poisons	1	25	0.08	3	88	0.27	2	59	0.21
Effects of electricity	1	60	0.19	2	42	0.13	2	30	0.11
Other and unspecified	19	556	1.80	19	659	2.05	19	1,125	3.98
Total	50	31,005	100.00	43	32,153	100.00	40	28,196	100.00

TABLE 12. VICTORIA - MALES: TYPE OF INJURY BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1967-68

Type of injury	Industry group																					
	Primary		Mining and quarrying		Manufacturing		Electricity, gas, water, sanitary		Building and construction		Transport, storage, and communication		Commerce		Community services, etc.		Amusements, personal services, etc.		Govt, semi-govt, finance, and other		Total	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Contusions, abrasions, foreign bodies, etc.	..	612	..	40	1	4,546	..	91	..	1,298	..	493	..	1,410	1	449	..	231	1	1,156	3	10,326
Burns and scalds	1	36	..	2	1	537	..	5	..	73	..	23	..	132	..	45	..	41	..	98	2	992
Bone fractures	..	255	..	18	1	1,471	..	35	..	518	..	215	1	355	..	184	..	144	1	416	3	3,611
Dislocations	..	43	..	5	..	228	..	5	..	65	..	32	..	72	..	33	..	13	..	68	..	564
Sprains and strains	..	507	..	52	..	4,321	..	117	..	1,372	..	710	..	1,325	..	666	..	214	..	1,634	..	10,918
Amputations	..	21	..	2	..	195	..	..	..	36	..	5	..	21	..	10	..	4	..	16	..	310
Concussion	..	11	..	..	..	54	..	2	..	16	..	20	..	24	..	5	..	12	..	30	..	174
Internal injury	..	3	1	1	4	30	..	1	..	7	1	6	..	8	..	9	..	5	3	17	9	87
Effects of poisons	..	5	..	..	1	36	..	3	1	3	..	1	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	4	2	59
Effects of electricity	..	..	..	..	2	14	..	..	..	3	..	1	..	4	..	2	..	..	..	6	2	30
Other and unspecified	3	76	..	7	6	366	1	16	2	169	..	90	1	121	..	78	..	26	6	176	19	1,125
Total	4	1,569	1	127	16	11,798	1	275	3	3,560	1	1,596	2	3,477	1	1,483	..	690	11	3,621	40	28,196

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal. NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.



TABLE 13. VICTORIA - MALES: AGE GROUP BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68

Age group (years)	Accident factor															
	Machinery		Vehicles		Electricity		Explosions		Flames, hot substances, and objects		Harmful substances		Falling, stumbling, slipping		Stepping on sharp objects	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Under 20	..	336	..	147	..	6	1	5	..	100	1	18	..	375	..	16
20 - 29	1	716	2	358	..	21	..	17	..	215	..	55	1	1,191	..	41
30 - 39	..	462	1	290	1	12	..	11	..	140	..	44	1	1,306	..	41
40 - 49	1	429	5	275	1	7	..	9	1	103	..	30	..	1,269	..	31
50 - 59	..	303	6	213	..	3	..	10	..	79	..	35	2	1,008	..	29
60 and over	..	118	3	87	..	2	..	2	..	31	1	10	2	453	..	12
Total	2	2,364	17	1,370	2	51	1	54	1	668	2	192	6	5,602	..	170
	Accident factor															
	Striking against objects		Strain in handling objects		Struck by or caught between		Handling sharp objects		Other handling, etc.		Using hand tools		Other and unspecified		Total	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Under 20	..	113	..	314	..	377	..	114	..	3	..	361	..	146	2	2,431
20 - 29	..	279	..	1,407	1	1,083	..	299	..	7	..	732	..	350	5	6,771
30 - 39	..	264	..	1,796	1	984	..	226	..	7	..	474	..	375	4	6,432
40 - 49	..	286	..	1,850	2	985	..	183	..	7	..	416	1	304	11	6,184
50 - 59	1	194	..	1,336	2	721	..	123	..	1	..	293	..	203	11	4,551
60 and over	..	73	..	512	..	305	..	45	..	1	..	92	1	84	7	1,827
Total	1	1,209	..	7,215	6	4,455	..	990	..	26	..	2,368	2	1,462	40	28,196

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal.

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6. Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 14.

TABLE 14. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY  
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68

Accident factor	F	Non-fatal		Accident factor	F	Non-fatal	
	No.	No.	Period of incapacity		No.	No.	Period of incapacity
<b>MACHINERY</b>			weeks	<b>Farm equipment</b>			weeks
Prime movers, pumps				Milking, shearing	..	42	120.0
Engines	..	4	26.4	Farm implements	..	15	55.4
Pumps	..	16	58.6	Other farm equipment(a)	..	10	36.6
<b>Power transmission</b>				<b>Other machinery</b>	..	38	166.2
Apparatus				<b>TOTAL MACHINERY</b>	2	2,364	9,739.6
Ropes, belts	..	98	600.6	<b>VEHICLES</b>			
Shafting	..	8	25.8	Motor vehicles	11	781	3,555.8
Gears	..	1	1.2	Trams	..	11	105.2
Other	..	3	13.0	Railway vehicles	2	75	375.4
<b>Hoisting, hauling</b>				Mine and quarry trucks	..	4	13.8
Hoists, cranes	1	81	380.4	Bicycles	..	48	224.2
Other lifting appl.	..	42	172.4	Water transport	..	6	16.6
Lifts	..	29	201.4	Animal drawn vehicles	..	2	8.6
<b>Conveyors</b>	..	58	265.2	Mobile cranes	1	53	369.0
<b>Industrial machines</b>				Forklift trucks	1	120	705.6
Abrasive grinding, polishing	..	182	637.8	Tractors	2	117	750.2
Agitators, mixers	..	40	214.0	Bulldozers, earth-working machines	..	84	447.6
Casting, welding	..	30	100.0	Other mobile machinery	..	64	231.8
Crushers	..	39	116.0	Other vehicles (a)	..	5	20.2
Drilling, turning (metal)	..	111	373.6	<b>TOTAL VEHICLES</b>	17	1,370	6,824.0
Drilling (other)	..	37	86.8	<b>ELECTRICITY</b>			
Milling	..	33	131.2	Portable machines, appliances	..	13	216.0
Planers (wood)	..	78	279.2	Switchgear, fusegear	1	5	23.2
Planers (other)	..	12	47.2	Electric supply wire	..	14	80.0
Packing	..	26	92.8	Other elec. (a)	1	19	62.8
Opening, carding	..	16	129.0	<b>TOTAL ELECTRICITY</b>	2	51	382.0
Presses (metal)	..	111	415.0	<b>EXPLOSIONS</b>			
Presses (printing)	..	21	76.0	Blasting explosions	..	9	75.0
Presses (other)	..	145	690.0	Boilers	1	4	17.8
Rolls	1	96	557.2	Gas	..	12	43.0
Saws, circular (wood)	..	82	459.6	Other explosions (a)	..	29	132.8
Saws, other (wood)	..	92	506.4	<b>TOTAL EXPLOSIONS</b>	1	54	268.6
Saws (metal)	..	25	76.4	<b>FLAMES, HOT SUBSTANCES, AND OBJECTS</b>			
Saws (other)	..	33	107.2	Flames	1	117	324.4
Screening and separating machines	..	8	14.6	Hot castings, extrusions, etc.	..	21	52.2
Sewing	..	10	78.0	Other hot objects	..	113	275.8
Shears (metal)	..	26	183.0	Molten metals	..	131	400.8
Shears (paper)	..	44	123.8	Other hot liquids	..	205	504.2
Shears (other)	..	15	35.6	Steam	..	76	164.0
Rotary cutters	..	38	114.0	Other hot gases (a)	..	5	10.6
Cutters (food)	..	76	188.6	<b>TOTAL FLAMES, HOT SUBSTANCES &amp; OBJECTS</b>	1	668	1,732.0
Spinning, weaving, knitting	..	40	154.4	<b>HARMFUL SUBSTANCES</b>			
Other industrial (a)	..	453	1,629.0	Solids, powders	..	69	199.8
				Gas and aerosols	2	36	175.8
				Liquids	..	87	229.0
				<b>TOTAL HARMFUL SUBSTANCES</b>	2	192	604.6

F: Fatal. (a) Includes unspecified.

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TABLE 14. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY  
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68 - continued

Accident factor	F	Non-fatal		Accident factor	F	Non-fatal	
	No.	No.	Period of incapacity		No.	No.	Period of incapacity
FALLING, STUMBLING, SLIPPING			weeks	Struck by or caught between -			weeks
On or from-				Trees, limbs, logs	11	229	1,626.4
Rafters or joists	..	552	298.2	Poles	1	37	127.2
Ladders	1	435	2,209.8	Sleepers	..	38	92.6
Poles	..	11	78.8	Scaffolding	..	35	140.0
Roofs	..	52	333.8	Framing timber	..	94	324.8
Scaffolding	..	126	895.0	Flitches	..	30	97.6
Stairs or steps	..	451	1,762.0	Other timber	..	380	1,253.4
Top or tray of vehicle	2	259	1,279.8	Drums and barrels	..	194	600.6
Tables, benches, etc.	..	64	419.8	Boxes and crates	..	217	660.0
Other elevations (a)	1	378	2,306.8	Bales, cartons, etc.	1	156	511.6
Into-				Bags	..	51	310.2
Excavations	..	93	518.6	Trays-baking, etc.	..	20	63.2
Inspection pits	..	13	63.8	Loading trays, pallets, etc.	..	93	240.6
Cellars, manholes, etc.	..	30	198.8	Bricks	..	112	462.0
Jumping or stepping down and up	..	561	2,204.2	Tiles	..	9	33.6
Slipping on-				Concrete	..	80	517.0
Wet surfaces	..	349	1,671.8	Earth, rock, etc.	1	133	569.4
Polished surfaces	..	20	55.6	Hand trucks, barrows, etc.	..	155	551.6
Other surfaces and unspecified	1	1,533	6,093.6	Pipes	..	171	577.4
Tripping, etc; on-				Iron bars, plates, etc.	..	622	2,405.4
Obstruction	..	465	1,893.6	Mouldings and castings	..	87	345.8
Not specified	..	283	1,177.6	Unspecified metal objects	2	472	1,565.8
Gutters, kerbs, etc.	..	126	613.8	Metal cylinders	..	116	450.4
Other fall, same level	1	301	1,168.8	Moulding boxes	..	9	40.6
TOTAL FALLING, STUMBLING, SLIPPING, TRIPPING, ETC.	6	5,602	25,244.2	Other objects (a)	..	915	3,245.6
STEPPING ON OR STRIKING AGAINST OBJECTS				Handling sharp objects-			
Stepping on sharp objects	..	170	394.6	Metal	..	320	647.4
Striking against objects	1	1,209	3,627.0	Glass	..	148	401.6
TOTAL STEPPING ON OR STRIKING AGAINST OBJECTS	1	1,379	4,021.6	Splinters - wood	..	139	322.2
HANDLING, MOVING, OR FALLING OBJECTS				Splinters - metal	..	74	221.2
Strain in handling-				Other wood (a)	..	4	7.0
Lifting	..	4,611	20,770.0	Bone	..	69	122.0
Pulling	..	261	1,157.0	Broken crockery, etc.	..	22	58.6
Pushing	..	261	1,065.2	Other sharp objects(a)	..	202	518.4
Carrying	..	293	1,214.6	Friction burn	..	12	28.4
Awkward position	..	429	1,888.8	Other handling	..	26	64.4
Other (a)	..	1,360	6,038.2	TOTAL HANDLING, ETC. OBJECTS	6	12,686	51,337.8

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18 TABLE 14. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY  
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68 - continued

Accident factor	F	Non-fatal		Accident factor	F	Non-fatal	
	No.	No.	Period of incapacity		No.	No.	Period of incapacity
USING HAND TOOLS			weeks	MISCELLANEOUS			weeks
Hand operated -				Animals and insects	..	361	11,554.8
Axes	..	121	298.6	Cold	1	10	44.4
Blowtorches	..	3	4.4	Compressed air	..	1	1.6
Can openers	..	1	1.2	Exposure to weather	..	6	15.2
Cleavers and choppers	..	16	35.0	Heat	..	21	46.6
Chisels	..	38	102.0	Vibration	..	4	13.6
Crowbars	..	42	212.6	Other physical causes	..	4	29.0
Files	..	8	12.6	Pressure vessels, etc., bursting	..	32	89.6
Hammers	..	266	871.6	Doors, windows	..	153	501.2
Hooks	..	24	47.6	Flying particles, dust	..	188	425.8
Knives	..	803	1,659.0	Sudden twists	..	379	1,575.2
Needles	..	6	13.2	Other and unspecified	1	303	1,171.0
Pens or pencils	..	1	1.4	TOTAL	2	1,462	5,468.0
Picks, pick axes, and hoes	..	52	154.6	MISCELLANEOUS			
Pliers, pincers	..	15	37.0	GRAND TOTAL	40	28,196	112,110.8
Saws	..	87	397.2				
Scissors, shears	..	27	54.4				
Screwdrivers	..	17	23.6				
Shovels, spades	..	81	301.6				
Spanners	..	98	255.8				
Vices	..	23	88.2				
Drills, etc.	..	23	57.0				
Hand stapling machine	..	6	27.0				
Other hand operated(a)	..	101	284.6				
Power-operated -							
Abrasive grinding, polishing	..	46	152.4				
Chisels	..	2	3.0				
Drills	..	88	247.6				
Knives	..	2	5.4				
Riveters	..	3	4.8				
Saws	..	142	465.2				
Screwdrivers	..	1	1.2				
Soldering irons	..	5	13.4				
Explosive powered tools	..	11	87.8				
Oxy torches, etc.	..	125	300.4				
Spray painting equipment	..	2	7.0				
Jackhammers, etc.	..	68	199.8				
Other power operated (a)	..	14	60.2				
TOTAL USING HAND TOOLS	..	2,368	6,488.4				

TABLE 15. VICTORIA - MALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Accident factor	1965-66		1966-67		1967-68	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Machinery	5	3,444	3	3,199	2	2,364
Vehicles	22	1,618	16	1,525	17	1,370
Electricity, explosions, flames and hot substances	3	805	7	811	4	773
Harmful substances	1	189	3	252	2	192
Falling, stumbling, slipping	11	6,697	5	6,920	6	5,602
Stepping on or striking against objects	..	1,503	..	1,396	1	1,379
Handling objects	6	12,468	5	13,675	6	12,686
Using hand tools	..	2,911	1	2,811	..	2,368
Other and unspecified	2	1,370	3	1,564	2	1,462
TOTAL	50	31,005	43	32,153	40	28,196

F: Fatal.

(a) Includes unspecified.

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PART 2 - INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS: FEMALES

TABLE 16. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS,  
1965-66 TO 1967-68

Industry group	Number of non-fatal accidents		
	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Manufacturing -			
Cement, bricks, etc.	38	56	34
Founding, engineering, etc.	472	487	416
Ships, vehicles, etc.	37	41	34
Textiles, clothing, footwear	699	784	785
Food, drink, tobacco	420	465	436
Sawmilling and wood products	15	11	17
Paper, printing, etc.	132	151	128
Petrol, chemical, and rubber products	108	120	133
Other manufacturing	160	152	186
Total manufacturing	2,081	2,267	2,169
Commerce	614	660	607
Community services, etc.	705	743	812
Amusements, personal services, etc.	542	520	490
Govt, semi-govt, finance, and other	660	862	676
Total	4,602	5,052	4,754

NOTE. No fatal accidents were reported in 1965-66, two in 1966-67 in the Primary and Manufacturing industry groups, and one in 1967-68 in the Commerce industry group.

TABLE 17. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER OF NON-FATAL  
ACCIDENTS BY PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1967-68

Period of incapacity	Number of accidents	Time lost (weeks)
1 week, but less than 2 weeks	2,233	2,820
2 weeks, " " " 4 "	1,310	3,410
4 " " " 6 "	438	2,049
6 " " " 8 "	237	1,581
8 " " " 13 "	241	2,404
13 " " " 26 "	168	2,988
26 " " " 52 "	86	3,081
52 weeks and more	41	3,309
Total	4,754	21,642

TABLE 18. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER OF  
ACCIDENTS BY AGE GROUP, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Age group (years)	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Under 20	514	554	460
20 - 29	1,032	1,190	1,112
30 - 39	1,036	1,209	1,187
40 - 49	1,237	1,230	1,198
50 - 59	653	746	657
60 and over	130	123	140
Total	4,602	5,052	4,754



TABLE 19. VICTORIA - FEMALES: PERIOD OF INCAPACITY AND COST OF CLAIMS FOR NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Industry group	Period of incapacity (weeks)						Cost of claims					
	Total			Average per accident			Total (\$'000)			Average per claim (\$)		
	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Manufacturing-												
Cement, bricks, etc.	198	153	114	5.2	2.7	3.3	9	8	6	229	151	187
Foundry, engineering, etc.	1,616	2,048	1,823	3.4	4.2	4.4	99	128	128	209	264	306
Ships, vehicles, etc.	120	142	109	3.2	3.5	3.2	5	16	10	144	380	303
Textiles, clothing, footwear	2,514	2,755	3,183	3.5	3.5	4.1	122	161	149	174	205	190
Food, drink, tobacco	1,256	1,965	1,724	2.9	4.4	4.0	66	95	103	156	205	236
Sawmilling and wood products	119	41	47	7.9	3.7	2.8	6	1	2	401	114	103
Paper, printing, etc.	483	506	489	3.6	3.4	3.8	18	38	29	137	251	228
Petrol, chemical, and rubber products	379	630	594	3.5	5.3	4.5	23	62	54	212	513	409
Other manufacturing	606	658	584	3.7	4.3	3.1	53	43	41	329	281	218
Total manufacturing	7,291	8,898	8,667	3.5	3.9	4.0	401	552	522	193	243	241
Commerce	1,953	2,416	2,383	3.2	3.7	3.9	109	109	117	178	165	193
Community services, etc.	3,413	3,520	3,692	4.8	4.7	4.5	155	184	182	220	248	224
Amusements, personal services, etc.	2,303	2,671	2,651	4.2	5.1	5.4	113	105	118	208	202	240
Govt, semi-govt, finance, and other	2,858	4,050	4,249	4.3	4.6	6.3	122	162	185	185	188	274
Total	17,818	21,555	21,642	3.9	4.3	4.6	900	1,112	1,124	196	220	237

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6. Because of the very small numbers involved, figures relating to the Primary, Mining, Electricity, Building, and Transport and communication industry groups are included under "Other".



TABLE 20. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER OF  
ACCIDENTS BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1965-66  
TO 1967-68

Accident factor	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Machinery	805	805	659
Vehicles	92	83	68
Electricity, explo-			
sions, hot objs	160	194	143
Harmful s'tances	32	22	23
Falling, slipping	1,202	1,194	1,123
Striking against			
or stepping on	355	306	335
Handling objects	1,398	1,805	1,831
Hand tools	251	309	248
Other and unspeci-			
fied	307	334	324
Total	4,602	5,052	4,754

TABLE 21. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER 21  
OF ACCIDENTS BY SITE OF INJURY,  
1965-66 TO 1967-68

Site of injury	1965-66	1966-67	1967-68
Head	152	161	122
Eye	51	51	54
Neck (incl. vertebral col.)	121	161	142
Trunk	892	962	989
Arm	838	1,082	1,134
Hand	1,443	1,458	1,312
Leg	771	831	737
Foot	315	326	231
General and unspecified	19	20	33
Total	4,602	5,052	4,754

TABLE 22. VICTORIA - FEMALES: ACCIDENT FACTOR BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1967-68

Accident factor	Industry group					Total
	Manu- facturing	Commerce	Community services, etc.	Amuse- ments, personal services, etc.	Other, incl. govt and semi-govt	
Machinery	506	70	17	37	29	659
Vehicles	18	12	10	3	25	68
Electricity	1	..	2	..	..	3
Explosions	..	1	1	2	..	4
Flames, hot substances and objects	32	16	34	47	7	136
Harmful substances	13	3	7	..	..	23
Falling, stumbling	325	170	248	180	200	1,123
Stepping on sharp objs	3	3	2	2	2	12
Striking against objs	161	51	32	27	52	323
Strain in handling objs	584	139	290	74	208	1,295
Struck by or caught between	169	45	37	32	37	320
Handling sharp objects	101	29	36	26	14	206
Other handling, moving, or falling objects	9	..	1	..	..	10
Using hand tools	143	40	23	26	16	248
Other and unspecified	104	28	72	34	86	324
Total	2,169	607	812	490	676	4,754

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.

Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 27.

22 TABLE 23. VICTORIA - FEMALES: SITE OF INJURY BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1967-68

Site of injury	Industry group					Total
	Manu- facturing	Commerce	Community services, etc.	Amuse- ments, personal services, etc.	Other, incl. govt and semi-govt	
Head	44	21	23	14	20	122
Eye	28	7	2	6	11	54
Neck (incl. vertebral col.)	54	12	39	16	21	142
Trunk	355	129	277	101	127	989
Arm	544	116	155	107	212	1,134
Hand	791	156	141	127	97	1,312
Leg	244	125	125	91	152	737
Foot	93	37	42	26	33	231
General and unspecified	16	4	8	2	3	33
Total	2,169	607	812	490	676	4,754

TABLE 24. VICTORIA - FEMALES: ACCIDENT FACTOR BY SITE OF INJURY, 1967-68

Accident factor	Site of injury									Total
	Head	Eye	Neck (incl. verte- bral column)	Trunk	Arm	Hand	Leg	Foot	Gen- eral and unspec- ified	
Machinery	8	7	3	16	94	515	8	6	2	659
Vehicles	8	..	2	15	9	8	17	5	4	68
Electricity, explosi- ons, and hot substances	6	1	1	6	43	51	22	10	3	143
Harmful substances	1	4	..	1	..	10	1	1	5	23
Falling, stumbling, slipping	45	1	36	254	258	53	413	57	6	1,123
Stepping on or striking against objects	18	7	2	23	83	70	101	29	2	335
Handling objects	23	13	79	605	553	349	102	106	1	1,831
Using hand tools	..	1	1	2	44	184	12	4	..	248
Other and unspecified	13	20	18	67	50	72	61	13	10	324
Total	122	54	142	989	1,134	1,312	737	231	33	4,754

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.

Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 27.

TABLE 25. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF  
NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS BY TYPE OF INJURY, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Type of injury	1965-66		1966-67		1967-68	
	number	per cent	number	per cent	number	per cent
Contusions, abrasions, lacerations, foreign bodies, etc.	2,006	43.59	2,026	40.10	1,773	37.29
Burns and scalds	208	4.52	217	4.30	174	3.66
Bone fractures	451	9.80	444	8.79	407	8.56
Dislocations	105	2.28	107	2.12	97	2.04
Sprains and strains	1,634	35.51	2,025	40.08	1,978	41.61
Amputations	35	0.76	29	0.57	43	0.90
Concussion	48	1.04	60	1.19	39	0.82
Internal injury	6	0.13	6	0.12	5	0.11
Effects of poisons	9	0.19	2	0.04	7	0.15
Effects of electricity	4	0.09	11	0.22	3	0.06
Other and unspecified	96	2.09	125	2.47	228	4.80
Total	4,602	100.00	5,052	100.00	4,754	100.00

TABLE 26. VICTORIA - FEMALES: TYPE OF INJURY BY INDUSTRY GROUP, 1967-68

Type of injury	Industry group					Total
	Manu- fact- uring	Commerce	Community services, etc.	Amuse- ments, personal services, etc.	Other, incl. govt and semi-govt	
Contusions, abrasions, lacerations, foreign bodies, etc.	915	245	242	182	189	1,773
Burns and scalds	52	19	39	55	9	174
Bone fractures	132	55	80	82	58	407
Dislocations	27	13	25	14	18	97
Sprains and strains	892	239	372	131	344	1,978
Amputations	39	2	..	..	2	43
Concussion	10	8	10	2	9	39
Internal injury	3	..	..	1	1	5
Effects of poisons	5	..	2	..	..	7
Effects of electricity	1	..	2	..	..	3
Other and unspecified	93	26	40	23	46	228
Total	2,169	607	812	490	676	4,754

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.



24 TABLE 27. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY  
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68

Accident factor	No.	Period of incapacity	Accident factor	No.	Period of incapacity
		weeks			weeks
<b>MACHINERY</b>			<b>EXPLOSIONS</b>		
<u>Prime movers, pumps</u>			Gas	3	4.6
Pumps	2	6.2	Other explosions	1	3.4
<u>Power transmission apparatus</u>			<b>TOTAL EXPLOSIONS</b>	4	8.0
Ropes, belts	9	64.2	<b>FLAMES, HOT SUBSTANCES</b>		
<u>Hoisting, hauling</u>			AND OBJECTS		
Hoists, etc.	1	1.0	Flames and hot objects	41	194.8
Lifts	3	8.2	Hot liquids	73	147.4
<u>Conveyors</u>	8	23.0	Steam	21	42.2
<u>Industrial machines</u>			Other hot gases	1	2.0
Abrasive grinding,			<b>TOTAL FLAMES, HOT</b>		
polishing	3	10.6	SUBSTANCES AND OBJECTS	136	386.4
Agitators and mixers	6	46.2	<b>HARMFUL SUBSTANCES</b>		
Casting, welding	5	12.2	Solids, powders	7	29.6
Crushers	3	22.8	Gas and aerosols	4	5.8
Drilling, turning(metal)	15	64.6	Liquids	12	173.0
Drilling, turning(other)	6	25.8	<b>TOTAL HARMFUL SUBSTANCES</b>	23	208.4
Milling	7	38.2	<b>FALLING, STUMBLING,</b>		
Planers (wood)	1	4.0	<b>SLIPPING</b>		
Planers (other)	4	28.8	<u>On or from -</u>		
Packing	25	55.2	Rafters or joists	1	1.0
Opening, carding	3	6.0	Ladders	26	73.0
Presses (metal)	44	178.4	Poles	1	1.0
Presses (printing)	5	58.2	Roofs	1	88.4
Presses (other)	83	355.6	Scaffolding	1	3.2
Rolls	23	77.8	Stairs, steps	209	1,062.0
Saws (wood)	1	1.8	Top or tray of vehicles	4	12.8
Saws (other)	1	1.2	Tables, benches, etc.	40	278.8
Screening and separating	2	6.0	Other elevations (a)	22	278.6
Sewing	64	117.4	<u>Into -</u>		
Shears (metal)	1	3.0	Excavations	1	1.6
Shears (paper)	12	44.8	<u>Jumping or stepping down</u>		
Shears (other)	4	24.0	<u>or up</u>	29	105.0
Rotary cutters	26	45.6	<u>Slipping on -</u>		
Cutters (food)	75	206.6	Wet surfaces	118	615.8
Spinning, weaving, knitting	36	152.4	Polished surfaces	35	179.8
Other industrial (a)	170	728.0	Other surfaces (a)	378	2,262.8
<u>Farm equipment</u>	2	21.0	<u>Tripping, etc. on -</u>		
<u>Other machinery</u>	9	72.0	Obstruction	96	520.0
<b>TOTAL MACHINERY</b>	659	2,510.8	Not specified	60	315.2
<b>VEHICLES</b>			Gutters, kerbs, etc.	20	100.0
Motor vehicles	50	323.4	<u>Other fall, same level</u>	81	541.8
Trams	3	19.8	<b>TOTAL FALLING, STUMBLING,</b>		
Railway vehicles	1	2.0	<b>SLIPPING</b>	1,123	6,440.8
Bicycles	2	2.2	<b>STEPPING ON OR STRIKING</b>		
Animal drawn	1	1.0	AGAINST OBJECTS		
Forklift trucks	8	60.2	Stepping on sharp objects	12	26.8
Tractors	2	9.0	Striking against objects	323	1,261.0
Other mobile machinery(a)	1	7.4	<b>TOTAL STEPPING ON OR</b>		
<b>TOTAL VEHICLES</b>	68	425.0	<b>STRIKING AGAINST OBJECTS</b>	335	1,287.8
<b>ELECTRICITY</b>			<b>HANDLING, MOVING OR</b>		
Portable machines, appl.	1	11.4	<b>FALLING OBJECTS</b>		
Electric supply wiring	1	1.8	<u>Strain in handling -</u>		
Other electricity (a)	1	29.4	Lifting	641	3,365.2
<b>TOTAL ELECTRICITY</b>	3	42.6	Pulling	65	360.4

(a) Includes unspecified.

TABLE 27. VICTORIA - FEMALES: NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY  
BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68 - continued

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Accident factor	No.	Period of incapacity	Accident factor	No.	Period of incapacity
		weeks			weeks
HANDLING, MOVING OR			USING HAND TOOLS - contd		
FALLING OBJECTS - contd			Hand operated - contd		
Strain in handling - contd			Files	1	1.0
Pushing	46	190.2	Hammers	6	8.4
Carrying	30	107.8	Knives	101	255.8
Awkward position	106	444.0	Needles	19	33.0
Other (a)	407	2,429.2	Pens or pencils	4	6.8
Struck by, or caught			Pliers, pincers	4	21.8
between -			Saws	1	4.0
Trees, limbs, logs	2	15.8	Scissors, shears	30	66.8
Framing timber	2	18.2	Screwdrivers	15	41.4
Other timber	15	43.2	Spanners, wrenches	2	5.2
Drums and barrels	11	23.2	Drills and augers	1	1.2
Boxes and crates	36	99.2	Hand stapling machine	11	26.4
Bales, cartons, etc.	15	29.4	Other hand operated (a)	14	41.8
Bags	3	4.2	Power operated -		
Trays - baking, etc.	14	41.8	Abrasive grinding,		
Loading trays, pallets,			polishing	6	27.4
etc.	11	29.6	Drills	9	69.4
Tiles	1	2.6	Saws	1	2.6
Hand trucks, barrows,			Screwdrivers	2	8.2
etc.	26	53.2	Soldering Irons	1	3.4
Iron bars, plates, etc.	14	71.8	Explosive powered tools	2	9.0
Moulding and casting	1	1.0	Oxy torches, etc.	5	7.2
Unspecified metal objects	26	71.6	Jackhammers, etc.	3	7.6
Metal cylinders	8	24.8	Other power operated (a)	5	6.2
Other objects (a)	135	403.0	TOTAL USING HAND TOOLS	248	669.8
Handling sharp objects -			MISCELLANEOUS		
Metal	49	85.0	Animals and insects	21	105.4
Glass	44	82.2	Cold	5	32.8
Splinters - wood	15	34.8	Exposure to weather	1	2.0
Splinters - metal	14	23.2	Heat	2	2.2
Bone	8	9.2	Other physical causes	3	12.6
Broken crockery, etc.	12	15.6	Pressure vessels, etc.,		
Other sharp objects	63	125.0	bursting	2	4.0
Friction burn	1	2.4	Doors, windows	50	170.8
Other handling (a)	10	21.0	Flying particles, dust	22	38.8
TOTAL HANDLING OBJECTS,	1,831	8,227.8	Sudden twists	126	702.0
ETC.			Other and unspecified	92	363.8
USING HAND TOOLS			TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	324	1,434.4
Hand operated -			GRAND TOTAL	4,754	21,641.8
Axes and hatchets	2	2.2			
Can openers	3	13.0			

(a) Includes unspecified.

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.

For reasons of space most of the headings have been abbreviated but detailed lists are available for inspection at this Office.

TABLE 28. VICTORIA - FEMALES: AGE GROUP BY ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68

Age group (years)	Accident factor															
	Machinery		Vehicles		Electricity		Explosions		Flames, hot substances and objects		Harmful substances		Falling, stumbling, slipping		Stepping on sharp objects	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Under 20	..	82	1	7	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	2	..	85	..	5
20 - 29	..	213	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	36	..	4	..	220	..	3
30 - 39	..	186	..	21	..	1	..	1	..	37	..	10	..	237	..	3
40 - 49	..	134	..	14	..	2	..	1	..	26	..	4	..	267	..	1
50 - 59	..	37	..	6	..	..	..	2	..	18	..	2	..	235	..	..
60 and over	..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	79	..	..
Total	..	659	1	68	..	3	..	4	..	136	..	23	..	1,123	..	12
	Accident factor															
	Striking against objects		Strain in handling objects		Struck by or caught between		Handling sharp objects		Other handling, etc.		Using hand tools		Other and unspecified		Total	
	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.	F	N.F.
Under 20	..	33	..	111	..	30	..	23	..	1	..	32	..	35	1	460
20 - 29	..	65	..	295	..	73	..	46	..	2	..	55	..	80	..	1,112
30 - 39	..	69	..	352	..	73	..	52	..	5	..	66	..	74	..	1,187
40 - 49	..	90	..	364	..	84	..	55	..	1	..	64	..	91	..	1,198
50 - 59	..	53	..	156	..	53	..	26	..	1	..	29	..	39	..	657
60 and over	..	13	..	17	..	7	..	4	..	..	..	2	..	5	..	140
Total	..	323	..	1,295	..	320	..	206	..	10	..	248	..	324	1	4,754

F: Fatal. N.F.: Non-fatal.

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6. Accident factor is described in further detail in Table 27.



The following tables show details of claims arising on journeys to or from employment, during a recess period, or from certain disease cases. It should be noted that cases where the disease has been precipitated or aggravated by an industrial accident do not appear in this appendix but are included in tables appearing in Parts 1 and 2.

TABLE 29. VICTORIA - MALES: JOURNEY, RECESS, AND DISEASE CASES:  
NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS, AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Year	Type of case	Fatal		Non-fatal		
		Number	Cost of claims	Number	Cost of claims	Period of incapacity
			\$		\$	weeks
1965-66	Journey and recess -					
	Accidents	31	104,736	1,615	385,667	7,924
	Diseases	43	198,971	83	79,780	870
	Other diseases	315	1,449,572	2,172	1,230,114	18,807
1966-67	Journey and recess -					
	Accidents	26	119,522	1,699	460,020	10,206
	Diseases	15	77,877	59	66,542	1,362
	Other diseases	222	1,082,732	1,566	1,469,537	23,195
1967-68	Journey and recess -					
	Accidents	16	112,029	1,487	395,581	7,089
	Diseases	33	181,678	55	113,185	1,409
	Other diseases	255	1,535,855	1,285	1,104,337	14,999

TABLE 30. VICTORIA - FEMALES: JOURNEY, RECESS, AND DISEASE CASES:  
NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS, AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1965-66 TO 1967-68

Year	Type of case	Fatal		Non-fatal		
		Number	Cost of claims	Number	Cost of claims	Period of incapacity
			\$		\$	weeks
1965-66	Journey and recess -					
	Accidents	5	20,292	929	168,325	4,322
	Diseases	1	5,108	13	9,860	172
	Other diseases	5	12,767	1,132	228,985	5,610
1966-67	Journey and recess -					
	Accidents	4	10,782	996	204,162	5,105
	Diseases	...	..	6	10,246	198
	Other diseases	4	13,141	721	166,893	4,279
1967-68	Journey and recess -					
	Accidents	1	7,950	953	200,630	4,342
	Diseases	..	..	10	15,427	284
	Other diseases	2	5,707	701	170,420	3,742

TABLE 31. VICTORIA - MALES: DISEASES: NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS,  
AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1967-68

Disease	Fatal		Non-fatal		
	Number	Cost of claims	Number	Cost of claims	Period of incapacity
		\$		\$	weeks
Infective and parasitic diseases	..	..	40	42,938	597.6
Neoplasms	5	27,106	12	4,779	64.8
Allergic, endocrine system, metabolic and nutritional diseases	..	..	11	4,645	43.2
Mental disorders	..	..	14	5,279	104.8
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	28	169,383	20	83,057	915.8
Diseases of eye	..	..	49	18,213	197.4
Diseases of ear	1	5,372	33	38,092	336.6
Other diseases of nervous system	..	..	24	34,708	526.6
Arteriosclerotic and degenerative heart disease	200	1,253,570	341	536,772	7,177.8
Other diseases of heart	32	175,627	63	100,442	1,609.8
Other diseases of circulatory system	2	10,980	41	32,957	633.2
Pneumonia	1	2,555	32	36,825	137.4
Other respiratory diseases	13	32,248	65	117,185	1,466.4
Diseases of digestive system	2	13,331	37	16,687	250.8
Diseases of genito-urinary system	..	..	3	276	4.0
Cellulitis	..	..	28	2,202	50.4
Dermatitis	..	..	318	60,475	1,137.8
Other diseases of skin and cellular tissue	..	..	65	7,091	166.6
Displacement of intervertebral disc	..	..	9	4,131	112.2
Synovitis, bursitis	..	..	32	4,185	105.8
Other diseases of bones and organs of movement	..	..	36	21,526	343.6
Chronic poisoning and other reactions	..	..	8	4,884	25.6
Other diseases, incl. symptoms and ill-defined conditions	4	27,361	59	40,173	399.2
Total	288	1,717,533	1,340	1,217,522	16,407.4

NOTE. Comprises diseases arising from employment, on journeys to or from employment, and during recess periods.

TABLE 32. VICTORIA - FEMALES: DISEASES: NUMBER, COST OF CLAIMS,  
AND PERIOD OF INCAPACITY, 1967-68

Disease	Fatal		Non-fatal		
	Number	Cost of claims	Number	Cost of claims	Period of incapacity
		(\$)		(\$)	Weeks
Infective and parasitic diseases	..	..	191	25,626	649.6
Neoplasms	1	2,631	2	464	6.0
Allergic, endocrine system, metabolic and nutritional diseases	..	..	6	423	12.2
Mental disorders	..	..	3	405	10.4
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	..	..	4	11,675	236.4
Diseases of eye	..	..	8	598	17.4
Diseases of ear	..	..	3	249	3.2
Other diseases of nervous system	..	..	21	5,963	120.8
Arteriosclerotic and degenerative heart disease	1	3,076	13	28,970	591.0
Other diseases of heart	..	..	5	7,075	70.2
Other diseases of circulatory system	..	..	16	13,687	280.0
Pneumonia	..	..	2	526	12.0
Other respiratory diseases	..	..	44	5,804	92.0
Diseases of digestive system	..	..	47	17,483	280.0
Diseases of genito-urinary system	..	..	..	..	..
Cellulitis	..	..	34	3,771	131.4
Dermatitis	..	..	166	17,909	497.4
Other diseases of skin and cellular tissue	..	..	51	4,206	146.0
Displacement of intervertebral disc	..	..	..	..	..
Synovitis, bursitis	..	..	50	18,549	423.2
Other diseases of bones and organs of movement	..	..	14	11,503	178.6
Chronic poisoning and other reactions	..	..	8	454	18.0
Other diseases, incl. symptoms and ill-defined conditions	..	..	23	10,507	249.8
Total	2	5,707	711	185,847	4,025.6

NOTE. Comprises diseases arising from employment, on journeys to or from employment, and during recess periods.



TABLE 33. VICTORIA - MALES AND FEMALES: NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF JOURNEY CASES (NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS)  
BY AGE GROUP AND ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68

Age group (years)	Accident factor							
	Vehicles		Falling, stumbling, slipping		All other		Total	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS								
Under 20	107	44	46	28	14	10	1167	82
20 - 29	166	78	98	82	31	19	2295	179
30 - 39	135	56	96	89	40	16	2271	161
40 - 49	131	73	103	136	26	25	2260	234
50 - 59	109	31	84	110	25	7	2218	148
60 and over	50	6	46	18	14	.1	1110	25
Total	698	288	473	463	150	78	1,321	829
PERCENTAGES								
Under 20	8.10	5.31	3.48	3.38	1.06	1.20	212.64	19.89
20 - 29	12.56	9.41	7.42	9.89	2.35	2.29	22.33	21.59
30 - 39	10.22	6.75	7.27	10.74	3.03	1.93	20.52	19.42
40 - 49	9.91	8.81	7.80	16.41	1.97	3.01	119.68	28.23
50 - 59	8.25	3.74	6.36	13.27	1.89	0.84	116.50	17.85
60 and over	3.79	0.73	3.48	2.17	1.06	0.12	68.33	3.02
Total	52.83	34.75	35.81	55.86	11.36	9.39	1100.00	100.00

NOTE. Consideration should be given to the qualifications and definitions on pages 4 to 6.  
Accident factor is described in further detail in Tables 14 and 27.

TABLE 34. VICTORIA - MALES AND FEMALES; NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF RECESS CASES (NON-FATAL ACCIDENTS)  
BY AGE GROUP AND ACCIDENT FACTOR, 1967-68

Age group (years)	Accident factor							
	Vehicles		Falling, stumbling, slipping		All other		Total	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS								
Under 20	4	1	12	18	18	4	34	23
20 - 29	6	3	17	20	21	10	44	33
30 - 39	3	1	15	11	20	4	38	16
40 - 49	5	1	12	17	4	2	21	20
50 - 59	1	2	10	21	8	1	19	24
60 and over	..	1	4	7	6	..	10	8
Total	19	9	70	94	77	21	166	124
PERCENTAGES								
Under 20	2.41	0.81	7.23	14.52	10.84	3.22	20.48	18.55
20 - 29	3.62	2.42	10.24	16.13	12.65	8.06	26.51	26.61
30 - 39	1.81	0.81	9.03	8.87	12.05	3.22	22.89	12.90
40 - 49	3.01	0.81	7.23	13.71	2.41	1.61	12.65	16.13
50 - 59	0.60	1.61	6.03	16.94	4.82	0.81	11.45	19.36
60 and over	..	0.81	2.41	5.64	3.61	..	6.02	6.45
Total	11.45	7.27	42.17	75.81	46.38	16.92	100.00	100.00

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Accident factor is described in further detail in Tables 14 and 27.

TABLE 35. VICTORIA - WORKERS COMPENSATION BUSINESS, 1963-64 TO 1967-68

Year	Wages on which premiums were paid	Gross premiums received less adjustments	New claims arising during year		Claims paid during year	Claims outstanding at end of year
			Fatal	Non-fatal		
	\$'000				\$'000	
1963-64	2,118,939	29,859	628	209,044	22,480	32,233
1964-65	2,382,194	34,539	613	221,474	22,815	34,823
1965-66	2,404,459	48,816	525	205,735	24,925	42,277
1966-67	2,730,791	52,521	490	203,537	25,787	48,864
1967-68	2,943,388	53,712	709	201,436	29,396	54,865

TABLE 36. SUMMARY OF AMOUNT PAID IN CLAIMS FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION, 1963-64 TO 1967-68  
(\$'000)

Year	Under Workers Compensation Act									Under other Acts and common law damages, etc.	Total
	Compensation			Medical, etc., services							
	Weekly compen- sation	Lump sum- death	Lump sum- maim	Doctor	Hospital	Chemist or reg- istered nurse	Ambulance	Other curative, etc., services	Legal costs, etc.		
1963-64	7,590	2,994	3,213	3,123	1,493	168	100	278	1,589	1,932	22,480
1964-65	7,632	2,968	3,036	3,298	1,600	180	107	308	1,998	1,688	22,815
1965-66	8,422	3,084	3,212	3,442	1,683	185	119	343	2,018	2,417	24,925
1966-67	8,216	2,938	2,931	3,683	1,979	180	122	339	2,571	2,828	25,787
1967-68	8,789	4,109	3,155	3,795	2,340	190	124	387	2,842	3,665	29,396